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FOLLOWING IS REPEAT KUWAIT 1205 DATED 15 APR73 SENT ACTION
SECSTATE INFO ABU DHABI AMMAN

QUOTE. C O N F I D E N T I A L KUWAIT 1205

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SUBJECT: SECURITY- JORDANIAN AMBASSADOR ON CURRENT SITUATION
IN OMAN.

FROM QUINLAN MUSCAT

1. MAJOR GENERAL ABDULDAIEM, JUST RETURNED FROM MONTH IN
AMMAN, SAYS HE WILL BE REPLACED IN FEW WEEKS BY ANOTHER
RETIRED GENERAL. ABDULDAIEM WILL BE ASSIGNED JORDANIAN MINISTRY
INTERIOR, PROBABLY AS GOVERNOR. IN PAST FEW DAYS HAS ALREADY
CHECK WITH COL NIGHTINGALE, OMAN INTELLIGENCE, AND DISCUSSED
SECURITY SITUATIONALSO WITH CAPITAL GOVERNOR SAYYID THUWAINI.
ABDULDAIEM HAS RECOMMENDED OMAN GOVT REQUIRE ALL VISITORS
HAVE VISA APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY THEIR OWN GOVERNMENTS AND
HAS ALSO ADVISED GOVT OMAN INSTITUTE THOROUGH
RECORD- KEEPING OPERATION OF PLACES OF BIRTH AND ANCESTRY TO
DETERMINE IDENTITIES ALL PALESTINIANS IN OMAN. HE ESTIMATES
TOTAL NUMBER AS UP TO ONE THOUSAND, INCUDING LARGE NUMBERS
HOLDING VARIOUS GULF PASSPORTS. HE VOLUNTEERED INFO THAT ABU
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DHABHI FILM TEAM INCLUDED NOT ONE ONLY BUT THREE MEMBERS AL FATAH (WHICH HE NOW USED INTERCHANGEABLE WITH BLACK SEPTEMBER ORGANIZATION) ONE OF WHOM WAS HASSAN AWAD OR HASSAN MAHAD HE ALSO STATED BELIEVE BASED ON RECENT TALKS IN AMMAN, THAT AL FATAH' S NEXT ASSSSINS MIGHT WELL BE NON- PALESTINIANS. POSSIBLY EVEN EUROPEANS.

2. ABDULDAIEM ONCE AGAIN LIVING IN AL FALAJ HOTEL WHICH HAS ALL GROUND FLOOR OUTSIDE WINDOW BEDROOMS AND CONSEQUENTLY FATALISTIC HIS OWN CHANCES AGAINST ATTACK BUT CONTINUED MAINTAIN ARMED GUARD ON JORDANIAN EMBASSY AND USUALLY TRAVELS WITH BODYGUARD. STOLTZFUS

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